U.S. Seeks to Bar New Trial For Uncle of Teamsters Chief

AKRON, Ohio—Justice Department lawyers said yesterday that they opposed a new embezzlement trial for the uncle of Teamsters President Jackie Presser because a trial might force the government to reveal whether Presser was an FBI informant.

The department's arguments came in papers filed in U.S. District Court, where Judge Sam H. Bell said he soon will decide whether to grant a new trial to Allen Friedman, Presser's uncle and a former Teamsters organizer.

Friedman, 64, had served 11 months of a three-year sentence before returning to Ohio last month to seek a new trial in light of a possibility that Presser was permitted by the FBI to hire "ghost employees" while an FBI informant.

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